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Senior Center Advisory and Design Committee
Administration, Third Floor, Memorial Building
14 Park Place, Vernon, Connecticut
May 30, 2017

Those members in attendance: Town Council Member: Bill Campbell; Deputy Mayor Steve Wakefield; Robert Kleinhans, Director DPW; Senior Center Advisory Members Carol Slattery and Wes Shorts; Senior Center Director Maureen Gabriele; Mayor Daniel A. Champagne; and Town Administrator John D. Ward. Also present: Diane Wheelock, Recording Secretary and two members of the public.

Mayor Champagne opened the meeting with comments relative to the status of the project and turned the meeting over to Robert Kleinhans for further comment. Robert Kleinhans, then proceeded to show a drawing of the interior of the building indicating walls that could and are removed to begin the process. The exterior landscaping has been removed and trimmed back and parking is being designed to accommodate as many spots as possible. Several members of the committee asked that the parking spaces be made slightly larger than normal if possible. Further discussion continued relative to other transportation needs and suggestions.

The discussion then turned to the architectural firms to design and guide the changes. Mr. Kleinhans shared that three quotes had been received from architectural firms. One firm, B.L. Companies was a large firm; Maier Design is a medium sized firm; and The Architects a small firm. Each provided requested information, some included more than requested. All were capable of the scope of work. After a discussion of the information, Steve Wakefield, seconded by Bill Campbell moved to select the firm The Architects for the design phase of this project. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Kleinhans suggested that the firm should attend the next meeting to meet with the committee members.

Steve Wakefield asked that a discussion take place relative to the document distributed containing all of the suggestions received to date. The information presented was clarified to exclude showers; the committee needs to clarify the type of kitchen requested (commercial vs warming kitchen or something in between); and the addition of lockers in the area of the exercise space. Maximizing the space is a high priority. The next meeting is scheduled for June 6th, 10:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Wheelock, Recording Secretary